

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 55-59 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.
Please amend Claims 43 and 52 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein as follows.

1-42. (Cancelled)

43. (Currently Amended) An isolated monoclonal antibody that selectively binds to a protein ~~comprising~~ consisting of amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:4.

44. (Cancelled)

45. (Previously Presented) The antibody of Claim 43, wherein said protein selectively binds to immune serum that inhibits *D. immitis* development.

46-49. (Cancelled)

50. (Previously Presented) The antibody of Claim 43, wherein said antibody selectively binds to a protein encoded by a nucleic acid sequence SEQ ID NO:3.

51. (Cancelled)

52. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising an excipient and an isolated monoclonal antibody that selectively binds to a protein ~~comprising~~ consisting of amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:4.

53. (Previously Presented) The composition of Claim 52, wherein said composition further comprises at least one component selected from the group consisting of an adjuvant and a carrier.

54-59. (Cancelled)